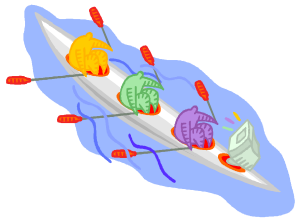


Our Mission

Is to give friends and families of State Residential Center residents the information and networks they need to ensure their family members have the best quality of life possible.



Our Goal

Is for friends and families of State Residential Center residents to feel confident in the choices they make for the people they support through Person Centered Plans and strong family advocacy.



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We connect families with one another so that they may share experiences & offer practical information and support.



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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

Have I heard of this group before?

- ♥ Maybe. Friends & Family TIES is a grant funded project. We have been providing families of people transitioning from Rosewood with information & support as they meet the challenges of transition.



Our SRC isn't closing. What do you have to offer me and *my family*?

- ♥ Whether you are happy or unhappy with the services & supports your family member is receiving, we think the lives of people with disabilities can always be better regardless of where they live. Our family members live within a system and it is up to us to make sure the system responds to their needs.

Are you going to try to persuade me to move my family member out of an SRC?

- ♥ No. Friends & Family TIES does not take a position on where people should live. As individuals, we have a preference for inclusive lives, but primarily, we want people with disabilities, our family members, to have the best quality of life possible. As family members, we are concerned about what will happen when we are no longer able to advocate for our loved ones—we believe in the importance of having our family members cared for in the way we would want when we are no longer able to advocate on their behalf.

So, who are you anyway?

- ♥ The Friends and Family TIES staff consists of two parents of children with disabilities, a sibling and guardian of a person who used to live at Rosewood and the executive director of Shared Support Maryland, a community provider. Our Support Partners, family members of people who used to live at Rosewood, are paid a stipend.



How Can I Learn More About Friends & Family TIES Activities At My SRC?

return this form to

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